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March 31, 2005

TO: Each Supervisor

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FROM: Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: **SKID ROW OUTREACH STRATEGIES
(BOARD ORDER #SYN 10 – JANUARY 11, 2005)**

This is to provide your Board with the second monthly report on the Skid Row outreach strategies implemented to identify and address the immediate needs of homeless families on Skid Row. In February, 53 families were served by the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) staff outstationed at the Weingart Access Center and by the Skid Row Outreach Team, for a total of 66 families served since implementation on January 18, 2005.

Your Board also asked me to evaluate the effectiveness of these strategies and report back within 60 days on whether to expand the services into each Supervisorial District. Although DPSS has had eligibility staff outstationed at the Weingart Access Center since January 18, 2005, the Skid Row Outreach Team was not fully operational with a full complement of Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), Department of mental health (DMH) and Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) staff until February 18, 2005. Therefore, we are continuing to evaluate the effectiveness of the strategies, and will report back to your Board in May with recommendations regarding the possible expansion of these strategies.

We will continue to provide the monthly report your Board requested for the next four months.

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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Office
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MONTHLY REPORT ON SKID ROW OUTREACH STRATEGIES

February 2005

	This month	Since 1/18/05
I. Referrals		
A. Number of families served		
1. Walk-ins at Weingart Access Center	12	19
2. Referred by Midnight Mission/Other Shelters	6	12
3. Referred by Skid Row Outreach Team	35	35
a. Taken to the Weingart Access Center	3	3
b. Not taken to the Weingart Access Center	32	32
4. Total (from A.1, 2 and 3)	53	66
B. Number of families already on CalWORKs	23	32
C. Number of families referred to CalWORKs	2	6
D. Contacted by Skid Row Team and declined CalWORKs referral	28	28
II. Assistance		
A. CalWORKs Applicants (from I.C)		
1. Approved and issued CalWORKs	1	1
2. Denied CalWORKs (i.e., excess income, working full-time)	1	4
a. Referred for emergency shelter	1	4
3. Not processed (client walked out)	0	1
4. Total (Same as I.C)	2	6
B. Homeless Services (from I.B)		
1. Approved and issued homeless services (Homeless Assistance)	18	24
2. Denied homeless services (not homeless, exhausted benefits)	5	8
a. Referred for emergency shelter	5	6
b. Staying with friends/relatives	0	2
3. Refused DPSS services	0	0
4. Total (Same as I.B)	23	32
III. Services		
Families who were referred to/are receiving services from:		
1. Welfare-to-Work (from I.B + II.A.1)	24	33
a. In GAIN/Employed	18	25
b. GAIN Exempt (disabled, child under one, caring for disabled relative, adult not aided, etc.)	5	7
c. Time Limited	1	1
2. Department of Mental Health (DMH):	14	14
a. Evaluation for the CalWORKs Homeless Families Project	4	4
b. Clinical Assessment	10	10
c. Crisis Intervention	0	0
d. Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) evaluation	0	0
3. Department of Children & Family Services (DCFS):	0	0
a. Child Protective Services/Hotline	0	0
b. Family Support Services (i.e., family intervention, counseling, alternative resources, etc.)	0	0
IV. Outcomes of CalWORKs Families		
A. In permanent housing	0	2
B. In transitional housing	0	0
C. In emergency shelter/hotel/motel	23	30
D. Sharing housing with friend/relative	0	0
E. CalWORKs case terminated due to the following reason:	0	0
1. Excess Income	0	0
2. No eligible child/ren in the home	0	0
3. No QR 7	0	0
4. Failed annual CalWORKs redetermination	0	0
5. Client's request	0	0
6. Moved out of state/county	0	0
F. Total (Same as II.B.4)	23	32